

Claims 1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently amended) A method within a time keeping and expense entry server for tracking employee work time, comprising:

activating web based time and expense entry software;

generating a text message for delivery to a user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet, to request a user identifier (ID), a selection between start and stop, and an account code wherein the text message is displayed on a graphical user interface (GUI) based upon a terminal type of the user and wherein the GUI provides an option for the user to select one of a start or stop status wherein the GUI and text message are generated in a manner that does not require specialized client software on the user terminal;

transmitting the GUI and the text message over one of the wireless network or the Internet;

receiving a response from the user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet wherein the response indicates the user has started or has stopped working;

verifying the user's ID and that the user is authorized to make time and expense entries;
and

storing the response to support the subsequent generation of reports that detail employee work activities and total account activities.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the text is transmitted to a wireless terminal in the form of a short message service message.

6. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the text is transmitted to the user terminal in the form of a page.

7. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the text is transmitted to the user terminal in the form of an email message.

8. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the text is generated as a part of a GUI screen display in a form that prompts the user to enter his or her responses in the corresponding fields.

9. (Currently amended) A method in a time keeping and expense entry server (TKET) for monitoring employee work time, comprising:

receiving a message from a user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet;

extracting a user identifier (ID), an account code, and a selected indication of a start or stop status;

storing a time entry event with respect to an account code according to user ID wherein the time entry event is an indication that the user has started or has stopped working;

determining whether additional information is required; and

generating graphical user interface (GUI) screen display signals for transmission to the user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet, to request the additional information wherein the GUI screen display that is generated is based in part upon at least one of a terminal type and a communication channel capacity.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the type of GUI screen display that is generated as a result of the GUI screen display signals depends on terminal type.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 10 wherein the TKET server generates the GUI screen display signals to create specified GUI screen displays according to channel capacity.

Claims 12-15. (Previously Cancelled)

16. (New) A time keeping and expense entry server for tracking employee work time, comprising:

means for activating web based time and expense entry software;

means for generating a text message for delivery to a user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet, to request a user identifier (ID), a selection between start and stop, and an account code wherein the text message is displayed on a graphical user interface (GUI) based upon a terminal type of the user and wherein the GUI provides an option for the user to select one of a start or stop status wherein the GUI and text message are generated in a manner that does not require specialized client software on the user terminal;

means for transmitting the GUI and the text message over one of the wireless network or the Internet;

means for receiving a response from the user terminal by way of one of a wireless network or an Internet wherein the response indicates the user has started or has stopped working;

verifying the user's ID and that the user is authorized to make time and expense entries;
and

means for storing the response to support the subsequent generation of reports that detail employee work activities and total account activities.